

WASHINGTON CRITIC

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

For the Middle Atlantic States warmer, with more heat, but less rain, generally fair weather, followed by heavy rains in northern portions, lower barometer.

For Sunday warmer weather and occasional light local rains are indicated for New England and the Middle Atlantic States.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

Thermometer readings, September 12: 5 a.m., 61°; 4 p.m., 62°; 6 p.m., 67°; 9 p.m., 69°. Mean temperature, 67°; maximum, 70°; minimum, 58°; mean relative humidity, 50%. Total precipitation inappreciable.

HOTEL DIRECTORY.

Ebbitt House, corner 15th and F streets, N.W.; Hotel Columbia, 15th and Pennsylvania Avenue; Harrison House, Penn, near 14th St.; Clinton House, 15th and I streets; Lookout, 15th street northwest.

AMUSEMENTS.

ALBANY.—The Romany Rye. FORM.—The Mikado. TROY.—The Young Adamine Specializes. HARRISBURG.—Miss Katherine Rogers. DIME MUSIC.—Leone Brothers and Dogs.

COURT RECORD.

EQUITY COURT.—JUDGE COX.—Myers vs. Adler; appearance of absent defendant ordered. Pollard vs. Carroll; pro confesso and default judgment for plaintiff.

POLICE COURTS.—ALBERT SWELL.—Albert G. Wall, unlicensed dog; personal bonds to take out six licenses; John H. Morgan, colored, vagrancy; personal bonds. Blanch P. Wright, same charge do; John Haman, same charge do; John A. and Anna Dickson, disorderly; \$5 or 35 days. Carl Reeder, indecent exposure; \$5 or 30 days. James and Thomas Green, vagrancy; 30 days each.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

Judge Snell Holds That Dogs Are Not Taxable After July 1.

Judge Snell made a decision this morning in the matter a dog license which is regarded as of more than ordinary importance. The Court decided that no person is taxable for a dog that comes into his possession after July 1, the beginning of the license year. He held that the tax levy is made on this date and a dog is very much like other property in the matter of taxation. If it is not assessed on July 1, the tax received from dogs is about \$14,000, he feared that when this decision is generally known the revenues of the District will suffer, and the Police will have a good deal of trouble.

The Police say that on the 30th of June, or perhaps a few days or a week previous, neighbors and others will swap dogs until after July 1, and then swap back, and people will have ownership of dogs on the first day of the license year, and will thus escape the payment of the license tax. Another troublesome question is that of the mind of the policeman. Is he to go to the office of the Sheriff and catch each particular person owns on July 1, without an amateur photographer's outfit, and an opportunity of catching the man and the dog together?

A dog was stolen, and a Cigar reporter, that the alacrity of the whole thing was trying to collect a license tax through a criminal process.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

THERE is a movement on foot to organize a veterans' police club among the original members of the force.

ATTENTION is called to the advertisement of Mrs. Washington in another column. Mme. Washington has just returned from Chicago and will be pleased to see her friends.

The Grand United Order of Elks follows of the District are making arrangements to celebrate their thirty-ninth anniversary October 19th next. Invitations have been sent to all the lodges in Baltimore and Alexandria.

There is a strike among the masons working on the new U.S. Customhouse. They demand a full day's pay for eight hours on Sunday, which is not conceded by their employers. It is expected that the strike will last only a few days.

The public schools will be opened Sept. 1.

MISS NICHOLS' COMEDICAL DANCE IN "THE MIKADO."

One of the hits of "The Mikado" at Ford's Opera House is the contortion dancing of Miss Nichols of the chorus, in the second act. As high as seven inches have been awarded the little lady slightly the past week, dorsal effects presented by the number of the week. Her name is Li Li Lum Tum, notwithstanding the fact that the Mikado does not call for such a character. Miss Nichols executes the act in the most delicate manner, apparently having no fear of being seen in the eye in the house. She is dressed in a white costume which is extremely comical.

Father Chappelle is an active and earnest worker, constantly engaged in advancing the interests of his parishes and church. A striking evidence of his work is especially apparent in his efforts to secure a church in Baltimore where he remained until 1882 when Archbishop Gibbons appointed him pastor of St. Matthew's Church in this city to succeed the late Father Boyle.

In 1889 Dr. Chappelle accompanied Archbishop Spaulding to Rome, while the latter went to attend the Vatican council. In September he joined Archbishop Spaulding upon his return home, and was appointed his chaplain, where he remained until 1891 when Bishop Spaulding was ordained by Bishop of Baltimore.

Captain John G. Leefe, Nineteenth Infantry, has been granted leave from Fort Monroe, Va., to attend the third plenary council of the Army at West Point.

Captain Julius H. Pätzl, assistant surgeon, has reported from sick leave and is ordered as post surgeon at Jackson Barracks, New Orleans, relieving Captain Charles E. Hart.

Captain Charles W. Williams, assistant quartermaster, is acting chief quartermaster of the Department of Arizona during the absence of Major Andrew J. McDonald, on a month's leave.

Captain George E. Pond, assistant quartermaster, has completed his duties on the long and arduous tour for cavalry and artillery service, and ordered to his new station at Fort Riley, Kan.

Among the army officers who attended the reunion of the Army of the Tennessee at Chattanooga, Tenn., on Saturday evening were Colonel Franklin F. Vint, retired, and General E. A. Carr, Sixth Cavalry.

First Lieutenant Robert D. Walworth, Marine Corps, left the Norfolk Navy Yard last evening on leave for a month, with a furlough from Fort Washington, Va., where she has been for some time with her children.

Assistant Engineer Frederick C. Rider, who committed suicide Thursday on board the Swallow at New Orleans, was to have been buried yesterday evening on leave for a month, with a furlough from Fort Washington, Va., where she has been for some time with her children.

The first race—Modesty should win, Miss Nichols' second race, Kirkland; third race, N.Y. M. or Monaco; fourth race, Troudour.

The selections of the New York Times for the Sheepshead races are:

For the first race—Monogram to win, and 30-1; for the second race—Mannies first, with The Bee and Winston close up.

For the third race—Babes first, Bluetie second.

For the fourth race—Bar Fox to win, Portwood second.

For the fifth race—Glenster first, Frolic second.

For the sixth race—Roy O'More first, Bourke second.

The seventh race—Bourke Cockers should win, while Sunstar ought to score the place.

THE WHITE HOUSE CONCERT.

The prince's daughter, the Princess of Wales, will sing this morning that will touch a heart of stone.

Two modest-looking young men, who were brothers, were charged with being vagrants, in having no home. Their names were James and Thomas Green. James was blind in both eyes and Thomas was paralyzed and had to lead his blind brother as best he could.

They thankfully received their sentences, which were suspended, and were sent to the workhouse, and slowly disappeared behind the bars. Policeman Stark, who took them into custody, told the court of their terrible conduct and delinquency. He said they came from Baltimore, and found them yesterday in a barn belonging to Mr. Price, on the Bradbury road. They both had chills at the time and were writing under the effects of the attack, which was only a bad case of cold and lack of clothing, nourishment and a comfortable place to sleep.

RAPID IMPROVEMENT.

A beautiful set of clear, systematic capital letters was written and taken home yesterday by each student of the Spencerian Business College as an evidence of two weeks' improvement in penmanship since September 1. Ninety students have already entered the college for the present year, eighty for the business course. Students show great interest in the work, and half of the public houses or have attained equivalent qualifications in other schools to be admitted to the senior course in this institution.

Hobberies Reported.

Mr. Whittaker of No. 20 Grant Place has reported that his premises were entered last night by thieves and robbers, jewels and a roll of carpet were stolen, which were worthless.

Mrs. Mulligan of 30 North Capitol street reports to the police that \$40 in money was stolen from her house yesterday.

A black coat worth \$12 was stolen from the house of William Swink last night.

Mrs. Odum as an Author.

The Critic is in receipt of Lord Churchill's "Lord Handley," as his enemies delight to call him, has fallen ill and has been compelled to relinquish campaign work for a time. Such a catastrophe is liable to happen to any American politician. If such is the case he should visit Tharp's "F.W. Street," and try the virtue of some pure whisky.

Baby Carriages.

refrigerators, carpets and furniture sold on weekly or monthly payments at Smith's, 418 New Jersey avenue northwest.

Boys' school suits, Eiseman's, cor., 7th & E.

OUR PULPIT GALLERY.

FATHER CHAPELLE, THE PASTOR OF ST. MATTHEWS.

HIS MINISTERIAL CAREER.

A Record of Good Works and Energetic Zeal in the Cause of the Church.

The Reverend Placidus Louis Chappelle, D. D., pastor of St. Matthew's Church in this city, was born in the southern part of France in August, 1842, and is consequently in his forty-third year. To use the language of the church of which he is such an able minister, he is a man of great talents, breadth of mind and experience. His ministry has been a success, and the St. Louis congregation has a pleasurable communion with the Washingtons.

He has been a member of the American Association of the Mikado, and has been a member of the Knights of Columbus, and the Knights of Pythias.

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